Drywall Finishing

Minimum Industry Training Criteria

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1. Length of Training

Program sponsors shall establish a minimum of a three (3) year program of no less than 3600 hours of on-the-job training.

2. Related Supplemental (classroom) Instruction

The required prescribed courses of related and supplemental instruction shall be no less than 320 hours. This instruction must include at a minimum the related and supplemental training processes listed in Appendix "A".

3. On-The-Job Training (OJT)

See Appendix "B". Drywall Finisher Work Processes

4. Competency Testing

All apprentices must pass a competency test prior to the time of their classification advancement to the next higher period. The test shall be based on all Related Supplemental Instruction and manipulative skills tests based on laboratory assignments.

5. Program Completion Percentages

Program Sponsors must have a 47

% graduation rate of all apprentices that satisfactorily complete the first year of the program.

6. Review and Revision Procedures

The Drywall Finishers Advisory Committee shall meet at the call of the chair or no less than once each three years to review, and revise if necessary the Industry Training Criteria. This Drywall Finishing Industry Training Criteria shall be in accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 8, Section 212. In its entirety.

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Appendix "A"

Related Supplemental (classroom) Instruction

- 1. Introduction to Drywall Finishing
- 2. Orientation and Safety; CPR/First Aid, OSHA 10 and 30
- 3. Tools and Equipment Safety
- 4. Hand Taping, Detail
- 5. Sanding Basics
- 6. Filling compounds
- 7. Automatic Taping Tools; Application and Maintenance
- 8. Power Tool Safety
- 9. Airless Spray Systems
- 10. Communication Skills
- 11. Basic Math and Measurements
- 12. Drywall Installation; Repairs and Corrections
- 13. Patching Basics and Advanced Patching, Minimizing Waste Practices*
- 14. Texture Spray Systems
- 15. Installation of Assorted Trims
- 16. Blueprint Reading and Estimating, LEEDTM rating system*
- 17. Forman Training; Best Management Practices*
- 18. Level 1 through 5 Finishes
- 19. Special Applications

^{*}Denotes Green Training integrated within the Drywall Finishing Training Program

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Appendix "B"

On-The-Job Training (OJT) Drywall Finisher

Work Processes	Hours
Clean-Up, Stocking, Masking: Clean up of construction debris pertaining to contractors needs. Material Handling pertaining to contractors needs. Protection of adjacent surfaces by any method.	500
Sanding, Finishing Fasteners, Detail: Sanding between coats and finish. Finishing coats required for Levels 1 through 5. Filling of Fasteners by hand or machine. Short tapes and repair of improper drywall installation.	600
Wiping Tape, Hand Trowel, Finish Metal: Embedding of all tape/seam materials using machine and hand tools, and application of all compounds and materials pertaining to walls. Installation and finish coating of all trim materials.	1000
Automatic Taper, Finishing Boxes, Angle Boxes: Use of any Automatic taping tool systems.	1000
Installation of Incidental Materials: Installation of any Drywall or related materials including /Fire Stopping materials.	500
Minimum On-The-Job Training (OJT) Hours;	3600

* These are minimums, and individual program sponsors should meet these minimums. The Work Processes listed may be combined in different hourly totals to meet the minimum 3600 hours of on the job training.

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